so as to empower the Superintendent of the Mental Hospital to receive and detain temporarily alleged lunatics on the application, called an urgency order, of the husband or wife or a relative of the alleged lunatic, in urgent cases when the welfare of the person demands instant intervention. The urgency order is to remain in force for seven days or till the date of the final disposal of a petition made for a reception order on his behalf.

The Bill is intended to secure the above objects.

KHAN BAHADUR MAHOMED ABBAS KHAN and MR. D. S. MALLAPPA observed that the amendments proposed were very necessary, and supported the same.

MR. BELUR SRINIVASA IYENGAR supported only the first proposal, *i.e.*, to amend Section 4 so as to empower the Superintendent of the Mental Hospital in urgent cases to receive lunatics on orders passed by a magistrate in whose jurisdiction the hospital was situated. As regards the other proposal, *i.e.*, to add a new section after Section 10, empowering the Superintendent to receive and detain alleged lunatics on "urgency orders" passed even by near relatives of lunatics, he said that such orders might be passed with ulterior motives; in this view, he did not see his way to support the second proposal.

THE FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL replied that these orders would be in force only for seven days or till the date of the final disposal of a petition made for a reception order in respect of a lunatic.

The principles of the Bill were then put to vote and *passed* unanimously.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

MR. B. L. BYANNA (Bangalore City Municipality).—

Q.—2. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) Whether it is not a fact that most of the Vanhikula Kshatriyas (Tigalars) whose lands have been acquired for the extension of Bangalore City are now rendered landless and have therefore been agitating for a garden colony?

(*b*) Did not the Government venture to help them on this account?

(*c*) Whether it is not a fact that the land selected for their use was not only unfit for cultivation, but also its cost

was very prohibitive so that the scheme had to be abandoned once for all?

(*d*) Is it not a fact that the said people have been urging upon the Government for selling them 75 acres of land out of the Sunnakal Farm and Gardens?

(*e*) Have not the Government promised that they would favourably consider this suggestion of parting with the Sunnakal Farm lands?

(*f*) What is the decision that has been arrived at?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—2. (*a*) It is reported that it is not true that most of the Tigalars referred to are landless and are agitating for a garden colony. Some of them are stated to be doing so.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) No. The land was fit for cultivation and was approved by the men concerned. The rate was quite reasonable.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) It is not possible to grant any land out of Sunnakal Farm.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. B. L. Byanna.—

With reference to the answer to question (*c*), have not the authorities recognised that the lands are unfit for cultivation?

Mr. R. Ranga Rao.—

No; they are quite fit for cultivation.

Mr. B. L. Byanna.—

Then, why was the scheme abandoned?

Mr. R. Ranga Rao.—

That is not a supplementary question.

Mr. B. L. Byanna.—

Are the Government aware that a large portion of the lands reserved for the Sunnakal Farm is really not required and that it is used only for growing grass?

Mr. R. Ranga Rao.—

All that land is considered necessary for purposes of the Farm.

Mr. B. L. Byanna.—

Are the Government aware that by selling away the surplus land, they stand to gain about a lakh and a half of rupees?

Mr. R. Ranga Rao.—

That is a matter for separate representation and consideration.

Mr. K. Munivenkatappa.—

The decision not to dispose of any portion of the Sunnakal Farm lands was taken when the villagers of Adugodi asked for them on lease. How does that apply to the case of the Vanhikula Kshatriya Community who are requesting that the lands be sold to them?

Mr. S. P. Rajagopalachari.—

It has been decided that the lands cannot be sold.

Capt. Y. V. Ayya.—

What are the reasons for not selling them?

Mr. S. P. Rajagopalachari.—

They are reserved for demonstration and other purposes. There is also a drainage scheme under preparation and we want land for working it out. Once we sell away the lands, we may not have them readily when we need.

Mr. B. S. Puttaswamy.—

Why not give the lands on lease till the drainage scheme is taken up? These poor people can be growing vegetables till then, taking advantage of the sewage silt.

Mr. S. P. Rajagopalachari.—

That question may be considered after the scheme is completely worked out.

MESSRS. G. VENKATARAMANA GOWDA and VENKATE GOWDA (Kankanhalli Taluk) and K. Y. T. VENKATACHALIA (Kankanhalli Municipality).—